Gilead Sciences, Inc.
Resolution of the Board of Directors

Michael L. Riordan

Whereas, Michael Riordan founded Gilead Sciences in 1987 and has served as the Chief Executive Officer from inception until 1996 and as Chairman of the Board from 1993 until 1997; and

Whereas, the Board of Directors wishes to express their admiration for Michael Riordan and their deep appreciation for his extraordinary leadership in building the Company, noting in particular:

He first conceived building a company based on nucleotide chemistry when he founded Gilead Sciences in 1987;

He has provided vision and inspiration for the company and all of its people and has established the strong moral and ethical standards that are critical to success in the development of drugs to treat severe diseases;

He has built a strong scientific foundation for the company and assembled an outstanding team of scientists and business leaders;

He led Gilead Sciences to public ownership in 1992, and with subsequent equity offerings raised a total of $400 million dollars, providing the critical financial resources to build a successful company with multiple commercial products;

Under his leadership and in less than ten years, Gilead Sciences already has an important pharmaceutical, Vistide®, on the commercial market, has a market capitalization of nearly one billion dollars, and has emerged as one of the most promising biopharmaceutical companies in the world.

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, that the Board expresses its deep gratitude for all Michael Riordan has done for Gilead and for the people Gilead serves now and will serve in the future, including its employees, investors, business partners and, most importantly, the people throughout the world who

will benefit from the medical advances at Gilead. We will always remember with great affection and appreciation Michael's vision, intellect and sound judgment, his integrity and deep sense of ethical responsibility, his calm and steady demeanor, and constant good humor and personal warmth. We will always be grateful for the respect and friendship that he has given to each one of us and to everyone associated with Gilead.

The Board of Directors
Gilead Sciences, Inc.

Stevy Davignon (signature)	Jim Denny (signature)	John C. Martin (signature)
Gordon Moore (signature)	Donald Rumsfeld (signature)	George P. Shultz (signature)
	James C. Gaither (signature)	Mark Perry (signature)
April 15, 1997	Counsel	Secretary